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**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

(1) Please cancel claim 22 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter thereof.

(2) Please amend claim 21 to incorporate the limitations of canceled claim 22.

Claims 1-20 (Canceled).

Claim 21 (Currently amended): A stirring beverage brewing press system for brewing, agitation and compressing of beverage grounds in beverage press, said stirring beverage brewing press system comprising:

a container including a side wall, an open end and a closed end;

a stirring member adapted to be slidably inserted in said container, said stirring member having a shaft extending up therefrom;

a plunger adapted to be slidably inserted in said container; said plunger having a hollowed shaft extending up therefrom;

a handle unit adapted to receive said container, wherein said handle unit having at least one ventilation port; and

wherein said hollow shaft of said plunger is adapted to receive said shaft of said stirring member, thereby allowing said stirring member and said shaft to rotate freely and independently from said plunger and said hollow shaft; and

a handle attachable to said hollow shaft of said plunger opposite of said plunger, said handle comprises a bore therethrough adapted to receive said shaft of said stirring member.

Claim 22 (Canceled).

Claim 23 (Previously presented): The stirring beverage brewing press system as set forth in claim 21 further comprising a lid, said lid having a cavity positioned on the top surface of said lid and sized to receive said handle, wherein said lid has an aperture defined from the bottom of said

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cavity to the bottom of said lid, said aperture being adapted to allow said hollow shaft to extend therethrough.

Claim 24 (Previously presented): The stirring beverage brewing press system as set forth in claim 23, wherein said handle includes at least one detent projecting from said handle, and said cavity of said lid includes at least one channel configured to receive said detent of said handle.

Claim 25 (Previously presented): The stirring beverage brewing press system as set forth in claim 21, wherein said plunger is a perforated plate.

Claim 26 (Previously presented): The stirring beverage brewing press system as set forth in claim 21, wherein said plunger is a screened plate.

Claim 27 (Previously presented): The stirring beverage brewing press system as set forth in claim 21, wherein said plunger comprises a perforated bottom plate, a screen plate, and a perforated upper plate.

Claim 28 (Previously presented): A stirring beverage brewing press system comprising:

- a cylindrical container including a side wall, an open end and a closed end;
- a stirring member adapted to be slidably inserted in said container, said stirring member having a plurality of paddles;
- a shaft removably attachable to said stirring member and extending up therefrom;
- a knob attachable to said shaft opposite of said stirring member;
- a perforated plunger adapted to be slidably inserted in said container, said plunger having a plurality of apertures defined therethrough;
- a hollow shaft attachable to said perforated plunger and extending up therefrom;
- a screen plate adapted to be slidably inserted in said container, said screen plate having a screen, a rigid outer ring attached to the

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- peripheral edge of said screen, and a hole defined through said screen plate adapted to receive said hollow shaft;
- a perforated compression plate adapted to be slidably inserted in said container, said compression plate having a plurality of perforations, and a centrally defined aperture adapted to receive said hollow shaft;
- a handle attachable to said hollow shaft opposite of said perforated plunger, said handle having at least two outwardly extending detents and a bore defined therethrough which is adapted to receive said shaft of said stirring member therethrough;
- a lid attachable to said open end of said container, said lid defining an aperture therethrough, a cavity located adjacent said aperture, at least two channels extending outwardly from said cavity, and an inwardly extending rim located at the bottom of said channels and which travels around the inner periphery of said aperture and channels, said aperture being adapted to allow said hollow shaft to extend therethrough, said cavity being adapted to receive said handle, said channels being adapted to received said detents of said handle and preventing said handle from rotating when said handle is inserted in said cavity, said rim being adapted to prevent said handle from traveling further down said aperture; and
- wherein said hollow shaft of said perforated plunger is adapted to receive said shaft of said stirring member thereby allowing said stirring member and said shaft to rotate freely and independently from said plunger and said hollow shaft.

Claim 29 (Previously presented): The stirring beverage brewing press system as set forth in claim 28, wherein said stirring member further comprising a central hub, said paddles outwardly extending from said hub, said hub having a cavity defined therein.

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Claim 30 (Previously presented): The stirring beverage brewing press system as set forth in claim 29, wherein said shaft being insertably attached to said cavity of said hub of said stirring member and extending up therefrom.

Claim 31 (Previously presented): The stirring beverage brewing press system as set forth in claim 28, wherein said perforated plunger further comprising a stud extending up therefrom featuring a bore defined therethrough.

Claim 32 (Previously presented): The stirring beverage brewing press system as set forth in claim 31, wherein said screen plate further comprising a hub, said screen being attached to said hub, said hub having a hole defined therethrough able to receive said stud of said perforated plunger.

Claim 33 (Previously presented): The stirring beverage brewing press system as set forth in claim 28, wherein said outer ring of said screen plate having a flexible tapered end, said flexible tapered end of said outer ring having a diameter larger than the diameter of said container, thereby allowing said tapered end to press against said container to form a seal.

Claim 34 (Previously presented): The stirring beverage brewing press system as set forth in claim 28, wherein said perforated compression plate having an outer ring attachable to the peripheral edge of said compression plate

Claim 35 (Previously presented): The stirring beverage brewing press system as set forth in claim 28 further comprising a handle unit adapted to receive said container, wherein said handle unit having at least one ventilation port.

Claim 36 (Previously presented): A stirring beverage brewing press system comprising:

a cylindrical container including a side wall, an open end and a closed end;

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- a stirring member adapted to be slidably inserted in said container, said stirring member having a central hub, and a plurality of paddles outwardly extending from said hub, said hub having a cavity defined therein;
- a shaft insertably attached to said cavity of said hub of said stirring member and extending up therefrom;
- a knob removably attachable to said shaft opposite of said stirring member;
- a perforated plunger adapted to be slidably inserted in said container, said plunger having a stud extending up therefrom featuring a bore defined therethrough, and a plurality of radially defined apertures;
- a hollow shaft attachable to said stud of said perforated plunger and extending up therefrom;
- a screen plate adapted to be slidably inserted in said container and positioned above said perforated plunger, said screen plate having a hub, a screen attached to said hub, and a rigid outer ring attached to the peripheral edge of said screen, said outer ring featuring a flexible tapered end, said hub having a hole defined therethrough able to receive said stud of said perforated plunger;
- a perforated compression plate adapted to be slidably inserted in said container and positioned above said screen plate and retained between said hollow shaft and said perforated plunger, said compression plate having a plurality of radial perforations, a centrally defined aperture able to receive said stud of said perforated plunger, and an outer ring attachable to the peripheral edge of said compression plate;

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a handle attachable to said hollow shaft opposite of said perforated plunger, said handle having at least two outwardly extending detents, and a bore defined therethrough which is adapted to receive said shaft of said stirring member therethrough;

a lid attachable to said open end of said container, said lid defining an aperture therethrough, a cavity located adjacent said aperture, at least two channels extending outwardly from said cavity, and an inwardly extending rim located at the bottom of said channels and which travels around the inner periphery of said aperture and channels, said aperture being adapted to allow said hollow shaft to extend therethrough, said cavity being adapted to receive said handle, said channels being adapted to receive said detents of said handle and preventing said handle from rotating when said handle is inserted in said cavity, said rim being adapted to prevent said handle from traveling further down said aperture; and

wherein said hollow shaft of said perforated plunger is adapted to receive said shaft of said stirring member thereby allowing said stirring member and said shaft to rotate freely and independently from said plunger and said hollow shaft.

Claim 37 (Previously presented): The stirring beverage brewing press system as set forth in claim 36, wherein said flexible tapered end of said screen plate having a diameter larger than the diameter of said container, thereby allowing said tapered end to press against said container to form a seal.